(b) the amount of business transacted by these seed outlets, during the last two years, outlet-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up some more seed outlets in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, location-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) There are 13 direct outlets of National Seeds Corporation in Uttar Pradesh. Location of these outlets has been indicated as per statement. In addition there are 171 authorised seed dealers selling NSC seed.

(b) The total turn-over of all these outlets was Rs. 569.13 lakhs and Rs. 730.94 lakhs during 1994-95 and 1995-96 respectively.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

1. Regional Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
65, Pan Dariba, Lucknow.

2. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
Plot No. 8-17, UPSDC Industrial Area,
Mathura Road, Sikandra, Agra.

3. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
165, Civil Lines, Bareilly.

4. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
Durgapur Road, Amethi (Sultanpur).

5. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
Kalpi Circular Road By-Pass Pakka Bagh, Etawah.

6. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
P.C.F. Godown, Ashok Nagar,
P.O. Basaratpur, Gorakhpur.

7. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
PO ETC, Hempur - 244 716 (via Kashipur) Nainital.

8. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
Raja Dal Mill,
Iglas Road, Hathras.

9. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
Plot No. D-25, Site No. 1,
Panki Industrial Area, Kanpur.

10. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
Opp. State Bank of India,
Rudrapur (Distt. Nainital).

11. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
Western Kachery Road, Meerut.

12. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
Mohalla Jaikhal, Shahjahanpur.

13. Area Office,
National Seeds Corporation Ltd.,
D-59/12-83, Gandhi Nagar, Sonia Road,
Singra, Varanasi.

[English]

Eradication of Starvation

1679. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have drawn any programme to fulfil the assurances given by the Prime Minister at the World Food Conference in Rome during the last year to eradicate hunger and starvation from India by the year 2000;

(b) if so, the details of the programme;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the date by which the programme is likely to be drawn ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) to (d) Government is taking steps to ensure accessibility and availability of foodgrains to all including those living below the poverty line. The Targeted Public Distribution System is a concrete measure in this direction. The Ninth Plan also lays emphasis on developing strategies in which the food production and distribution system would be so integrated with the income distribution measures such as employment and poverty alleviation programmes that food and nutritional security for all would be ensured.

Pest Management

1680. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :